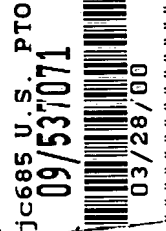


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Before examining the referenced application on the merits, please amend the
application as outlined below:

In the Specification:

On Page 1, line 1, please insert the phrase 17 This is a continuation of International

A1 Application PCT/IB98/01610, with an international filing date of October 2, 1998, before the
word "The".

In the Claims:

In claim 2, line 1, please delete "1" and replace with --24--.

In claim 4, line 3, please delete "decoder" and replace with --security module--.

In claim 11, line 1, please delete "or 10".

In claim 12, line 1, please delete "any of claims 7 to 11" and replace with --7--.

In claim 14, line 1, please delete "1" and replace with --24--.

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